


REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Mark de Bie, Deputy Director
Waste Permitting, Compliance & Mitigation Division

From: 
Robert Holmes, Acting Manager
Permitting & Assistance South Section
Permitting & Assistance Branch

Request Date: May 23, 2012

Decision Subject: Concurrence on Proposed New Full Solid Waste Facilities Permit for
Santa Maria Integrated Waste Management Facility
SWIS No. 42-AA-0076

Action By: June 11, 2012

Summary of Request: This is a request that the Deputy Director take action on a proposed New Solid Waste Facilities Permit for the Santa Maria Integrated Waste Management Facility, SWIS No. 42-AA-0076, located in Santa Barbara County. Staff's findings and recommendations are provided relative to the proposed action.

The proposed permit was received on March 8, 2012. A new proposed permit was received on April 12, 2012. Action must be taken on this proposed permit no later than June 11, 2012. If no action is taken by June 11, 2012, the Department will be deemed to have concurred with the issuance of the proposed permit.

Recommendation: Based on our review and analysis of the submitted permit package, staff recommends the Deputy Director concur with the issuance of the permit. All of the required submittals and findings required by Title 27, Section 21685 have been made. The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was certified by the City of Santa Maria Planning and Development Services, acting as the Lead Agency under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), on April 20, 2010. CEQA Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations were adopted by the Santa Maria City Council on April 20, 2010. The FEIR identified significant and unavoidable impacts to air quality and biological resources. These findings are summarized in the table found in the Permitting and Assistance Branch Staff Report attachment. The documents on which staff's findings are based are in the facility files. Details on the findings are presented in more detail in the Permitting and Assistance Branch Staff Report.

Deputy Director Action: I certify that I have reviewed and considered the information in the FEIR prepared for this proposed Solid Waste Facilities Permit, including without limitation the environmental effects of the project as described in the FEIR. I adopt the findings and determinations set out in the Staff Report and this Request for Action on the grounds stated therein, including without limitation the adequacy of the environmental documents prepared by the City of Santa Maria, acting as Lead Agency, under CEQA and the proposed permit's compliance with the requirements of the Integrated Waste Management Act, Department regulations and CEQA. I adopt as the Department's own the Findings made by the City of Santa Maria, acting as Lead Agency, as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

I adopt as the Department's own the Statement of Overriding Considerations adopted by the City of Santa Maria, acting as Lead Agency, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093.

Therefore, on the basis of the information, and analysis in this Request for Action and the findings set out in the Permitting & Assistance Branch Staff Report, I concur in the issuance of the New Full Solid Waste Facilities Permit for Santa Maria Integrated Waste Management Facility, SWIS No.42-AA-0076 as proposed.

Dated: May 24, 2012



Mark de Bie, Deputy Director
Waste Permitting, Compliance & Mitigation Division

Attachments: Proposed Solid Waste Facilities Permit
Permitting & Assistance Branch Staff Report